

Application No.: 09/839,664
Response to FOA of 11/25/05

Remarks

In the present response, six claims (1, 6, 10, and 15-17) are amended; and three claims (3, 13, and 14) are canceled. Claims 1-2, 4-12, and 15-19 are presented for examination.

Telephone Call to Examiner

Applicant thanks the Examiner for returning a phone call concerning this case. As Applicant mentioned, this case is being amended to be placed in condition for allowance.

Entry of Amendments

In the Final Office Action, the Examiner indicated that claims 3, 6, 14, and 17 were allowable if rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of the base claim. The amendments herein merely amend the claims to include the allowable subject matter. According to 37 CFR 1.116, Applicants respectfully ask the Examiner to enter the amendments.

Specifically, claim 1 is amended to include the allowable subject matter of dependent claim 3. Claim 6 is amended to be in independent form. Claim 10 is amended to include the recitations of claims 13 and 14 (claim 14 being indicated as allowed). Dependent claims 15-17 are amended merely to comply with form and dependent from claim 10.

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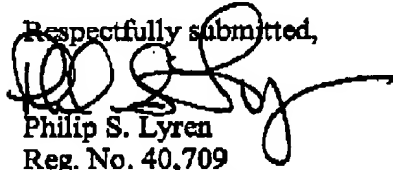
CONCLUSION

In view of the above, Applicant believes that all pending claims are in condition for allowance. Allowance of these claims is respectfully requested.

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